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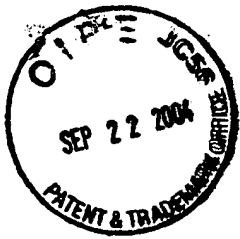
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Total Claims		- 20 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims		- 3 =		x \$80.00	\$0.00
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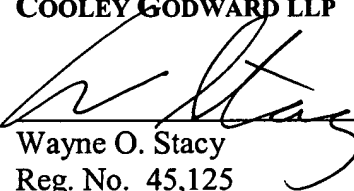
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 6 of this paper.